

The Board's Minutes of the East Donegal Township Board of Supervisors  
Held on April 15, 2025

The work session of the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township was held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 8:30 AM in the East Donegal Township Municipal Building, 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta, PA 17547.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Esbenshade.

Supervisor Esbenshade led with a Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.

Roll call of Supervisors: Present were Chairman Allen Esbenshade, Vice-Chairman Michael Brubaker on the phone and then in person, and Supervisor Kenton Sweigart. Scott Kingsboro, Township Manager, Jodi Diaz, Township Treasurer, and Craig Underwood, Township Zoning Officer/Code Official, Robert Ansell Public Works Director were also present in the meeting.

Public Attendance is attached

Presentation from Vanguard Renewables and TC Energy. Mr. Dwight Yoder representing Vanguard Renewables wanted to give a brief overview on a possible project for injecting methane gas into the Trans Canadian Gas transmission lines on 1588 Depot Road. The zoom call consisted of Michael McClain, Craig Smith, Antonio Redd, Will Hutchinson, and Bridget Maguire, all representing either Vanguard Renewables or TC Energy. This location would be a connection facility with no buildings, just an area under a roof to protect the valves that would be used in metering the methane as it is up-loaded from the trucks and injected into the transmission lines. Most of the area would be a drivable surface for the trucks to park. This facility would be used 7 days a week with 6-7 trucks a day unloading. There would be no employees staying at the facility. Mr. Yoder and the group wanted to give an overall review of the proposed project before moving forward with a land development plan which would include a stormwater management plan. Vanguard Renewables wants to partner with small to medium farms in central PA to put digesters on farms and collect and transport processed methane to this location for injection.

Mr. Esbenshade opened the meeting for public comments on items not on the agenda. - None

#### FINANCE

##### Trash Billing Update

Ms. Diaz informed the Board that there is under \$70,000 outstanding in trash billing and if the Board wants to think about doing another forbearance period to forgive lien fees in lieu of full payments on outstanding balances – No decision was made.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION

##### Chickies Day Use Electric

Mr. Kingsboro informed the Board that the cost to do the new electric box and dust to dawn LED light will be \$3,600.00

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

### GSK Update

Mr. Underwood informed the Board that GSK is moving forward with the plans to build the 2 new buildings but has put a hold for 6 months on one existing building renovation.

### Public Safety

#### EMA

Mr. Kingsboro informed the Board that the volunteer EMA position was posted on the website, and he has had a few inquiries about the position

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Long Lane Project

Mr. Kingsboro informed the Board that the project should get approval from Penn DOT for the Highway Occupancy Permit in a few days. Penn DOT wanted a grass “porkchop” area not concrete. Looking for bids to go out soon so the project could be completed by end of summer.

### Storm Drain at Vinegar Ferry Road and Eleanor Drive

Mr. Ansell informed the Board of the bad condition of the storm drain and the temporary fix that had been made. Mr. Ansell is getting a quote from Mr. Rehab to camera the drains to see how bad the condition is throughout the storm drains in that area

### Donegal Spring Road

Mr. Ansell informed the Board that 4 PPL poles will be moved in 6 weeks, and he will be working with Comcast and Bright Speed to move their wires at the same time. It was discussed to talk about the plans with the homeowner at 1894 Donegal Springs Road. Mr. Kingsboro will set up a meeting with the homeowner, David Miller and Associates and the Township.

## ADMINISTRATION/PERSONNEL

### Public Works Employee Status

Mr. Kingsboro informed the board that instead of a full-time employee we will try a part-time employee. Mr. Ansell is also looking at the possibility of getting a student from CTC to do a co-op through the school and then hire as a full-time employee.

### Request for using 2 roads – Meetinghouse Miles 5K

A motion was made by Mr. Brubaker, and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade, to approve the request of Kraybill Mennonite School for the use of the following roads for the Meetinghouse Miles 5K on Saturday, May 10th, 2025, from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM – Kraybill Church Road and Trout Run Road

Discussion: none. Vote: Mr. Swigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade; yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Sweigart and seconded by Mr. Brubaker to adjourn at 10:12 AM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott A. Kingsboro, Township Secretary